IN FASHION NOW

We have learned that our heels will still be narrow for spring, but slightly lower and diminishing from a broader base.

Pastel leathers and black patent will be outstanding, and the first choices of most leading designers.

The classic pump will lead the field, as it has for the past several seasons. You will find a bow or some such decorative trim in most sandals.

One very exclusive house will offer a line of pastel leathers with heavy linen lace inset. Bags will be found in matching color and trim.

For daytime and all informal occasions—you will be able to choose from endless designs of large straw, fabric and leather bags. Many bags will be small and eye-catching and will be matched to shoes in most cases.

SILENT NIGHT

It was the day before Christmas Eve, 1818. In a tiny mountain village in Austria, the organ of St. Nicholas was broken. The organist, Franz Gruber, could not repair it in time for the midnight mass, for which he had planned a musical program. In distress, he turned to the young parish priest, Joseph Mohr.

Father Mohr agreed to write words for a simple melody if Gruber would compose one which could be sung to the accompaniment of a guitar.

Walking home that cold, clear night, the priest gazed upon the heavenly canopy of stars, and the inspiration for the verses came to him. Next day, Gruber set them to music, and "Silent Night, Holy Night" was given to the world.

PENSION LAW DATA FOR VETERANS

Five points in connection with the new pension law were spotlighted this week by Carlton W. Bragg, Officer-in-Charge of the Lynchburg VA Office, as a result of numerous inquiries from veterans and from veterans' dependents.

First, the new law goes into effect on July 1, 1960, not before.

Second, the law does not make any changes in the basic eligibility of a living veteran. The veteran still must be totally and permanently disabled from causes not traceable to his military service; he must have 90 days or more of honorable wartime service, and his income must be below the prescribed limits.

Third, the new law has no effect on the usual questionnaires which VA sends just after the first of the year to persons who receive VA pension checks, on which they must list their income of the year preceding. All persons who receive the annual income questionnaire after the first of the year should fill it out promptly, sign it and return it to VA.

Fourth, persons now on the pension rolls will receive full information and details on their choices under the new law in ample time before July 1, 1960 for them to make any necessary decisions.

Fifth, the new pension law applies to veterans of World War I, World War II, and the Korean conflict and their dependents. It does not apply directly to Spanish War veterans, who have their own pension laws. However, a small number of Spanish War veterans may be affected by a provision which makes some eligible for an "invalid lift" if their condition requires it for getting in and out of bed.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Young Peoples' Sunday School Class and Group I of the Sunday Night Good News Bible Club, of which Mr. Bolden McCormick and Mrs. McCormick are teachers, held their Christmas Party jointly on Friday night, December 18, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. McCormick.

The party opened with the singing of carols by the group, when a knock on the door, when opened, it was Santa Claus, with a bag full of gifts for everyone. Santa not only brought gifts and candy, but he left a message for the young people to always serve the Lord and put Him first in their lives. After Santa's visits and the gifts were opened, games and contests were enjoyed by all. Then the group paused for devotion and meditation. Scripture was read by Ruby Chandler and Johnny Roach led in prayer. Mrs. McCormick told the flashcard story, "Whose Birthday?", reminding us that in all our giving not to forget the Christ whose birthday Christmas is. After the song, "Joy to The World," by all, Rev. Randolph Hite led the group in prayer and blessing of thanks, just before refreshments were served.

Cairo threatens dam to halt flow to Israel.

Massive education drive begins in Red China.

Appomattox is a growing town.

LOCAL ASC OFFICE LISTS ACP PRACTICES

According to the Appomattox ASC County Office, the initial period for requesting government cost - sharing for practices to be carried out during the 1960 program year is December 21, 1959. Farmers who file their requests by December 21, will receive priority over those who file after that date.

Conservation practices which are eligible for government cost-sharing are as follows:

1. Initial establishment of a permanent vegetative cover for soil protection or as a needed land-use adjustment.
2. Establishment of additional acreages of vegetative cover in crop rotation to retard erosion and to improve soil structure, permeability, or water-holding capacity.
3. Liming farmland.
4. Contour stripcropping.
5. Initial establishment of a stand of trees on farmland for purposes other than the prevention of wind or water erosion.
6. Improvement of an established vegetative cover for soil or water-shed protection.
7. Developing springs or seeps for livestock water as a means of protecting vegetative cover or to make practicable the utilization of land for vegetative cover.
8. Constructing dams, pits, or ponds as a means of protecting vegetative cover.
9. Installing pipelines for livestock water as a means of protecting vegetative cover or to make practicable the utilization of land for vegetative cover.
10. Improvement of a stand of forest trees on farmland.
11. Initial establishment of permanent sod waterways to dispose of excess water without causing erosion.
12. Terracing.
13. Constructing permanent open drainage systems to dispose of excess water.
14. Installing underground outlets.
15. Constructing ponds for irrigation water.

TURKEY GOBBLERS

State game wardens and biologists will begin the 1961 spring turkey season hearing gobblers in some areas of the state, game officials announced this week. Running 45 minutes, the game commission found that gobbling between April 10 and 20 (the most vigorous period of the spring trip) were seen in the mountain ranges, and that gobblers (1,158) per mile in the eastern piedmont.

Soviet plans a new canal to Senate.

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AVIATOR
To keep the fleet flying the Navy needs pilots - the best pilots. That's why Naval Aviators are given the finest flight training possible.
And you can get that training by qualifying for the NAVCAD Program, which is open to men with two years college, or the AOC Progran for college graduates.
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NAVY

Season's Greetings
The joyous Christmas Season is here again...to brighten our hearts, to lighten our cares.
To all our wonderful friends, we hope this glorious holiday will bring everything that makes for a life of happiness and contentment.
R. E. WILBUN
APPOMATTOX, VIRGINIA

SERVICES AT METHODIST

Services will be featured at Memorial Methodist on the last Sunday of the year, at 11 o'clock the Men's Choir will sing hymns and the pastor will take part in the Series of Sermons on the Doctrines of the Church. The theme - "Going Forward." The Members of the Church are making every effort to make it possible their contributions to the Building Fund. Old Year comes to a close.

7:30 o'clock service, Confession of the Church and Annual Student Day service, honoring those Christmas who have college and employed in the community. The service will be in the nature of a playlet "Across the Frontiers" and will have the following characters: Narrator - Bradley Babb; Roland Wilborn; June Bryant; Eddie - Terrell Marshall; James C. Baker - Master of Francis Asbury - Jimmy Hall; Thomas Coke - Bobby Francis Pierpont - Jimmy Hall; and Mrs. Eliza Clark - Miss Martin. Nancy Martin will introduce the playlet; Mary Alice Henry will be the prompter; Peggy Henry will sing a solo; Brian Thomas will give the Offertory; Katherine Burkey the Invocation; Carol Faye Couch the Call To Worship; and the Psalm will be given by Myrtle Moore, Linda Sarver and Carolyn Jones.

Kitty Vaughan Wood will preside, and Peggy Godsey will be at the Organ. The Ushers for the service will be: Alton Smith, Lee Vaughan, Bobby Lewis, Stuart Fuller and E. N. Fuller, Jr.

At 6:00 P. M. the members of the M. Y. F. and Older Youth Class and their parents will join in the fellowship of a covered dish supper at the church. Following the evening service, the group will be entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Moses, Jr.

SPOUT SPRING SCHOOL HAVE CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Room Mothers of Spout Spring School gave a Christmas Party for all the rooms jointly on Friday, December 18 at 1:30. The party opened with a movie of the "Christmas Carol" by Dickens, then Mrs. R. B. McCormick told the story "Gods Trees" to the group. With Mrs. McCormick and Mrs. Allen Clarence at the piano, the group sang many of the Christmas Carols and songs. Mrs. Helen Franklin and Mrs. David Smith had charge of the games which followed and was enjoyed by all. Agift of treats was given to all. After being dismissed with prayer by Mrs. Parks Jennings the classes adjourned to their respective rooms for their own party and exchange of pollyanna gifts before going home for the holidays.

Room Mothers giving the party were: Mrs. H. S. Jones, Jr., Mrs Helen Franklin, Mrs Doris Torrence, Mrs. Walter Tyree, Mrs. Cornelia Carson, Mrs. Rachel Jones, Mrs. W. W. Cheatman, Mrs. Harold Sykes, Mrs. Nadine Carson, Mrs. Compton, Mrs. Wallace Megginson, Mrs. Alex Garrett, Mrs. Pete Dickerson, Mrs. Richard Harris, Mrs. Floyd Coleman, Mrs. Catherine Carson, Mrs. A. C. Grishaw and Mrs. Walter Henry.

Pamplin

Pamplin, Dec. 22.- Mrs. Mj W. Brunet, of New York, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. D. Canada.

Mrs. W. B. Ford left Friday for Statesville, N. C., where she will spend a few days with relatives. Then go to Florida, to spend several months with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr, and Mrs. Joe Guilfoil.

Miss Kate Franklin is spending the holidays with relatives and friends in Richmond.

Mr. J. Aubrey Gilliams has returned home from the hospital, and is improving slowly.

Among the students who are at home for the holidays are Misses Rita St. John and Janice McClenny, of Longwood, and Jack Tibbs, of V. P. I.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Clause
Football suit, shooting gallery, erector set, big rocket set.
Stephen.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Mr. Editor:

Please give me a little space in your paper. I want to try to express myself in regards to the 25th of Dec., that we call Christmas. Dear friends and co-workers, we are glad and thankful to see almost the end of 1959. So many that started with us are gone and we are yet blessed to be here. May we all think on what it means to us, We are told in the Bible that a Savior was born to save us from sin and destructing into a home of everlasting life. So let us all be thankful. In 1960 let us strive to make our best better each day and all the way. I am thankful to the Lord to say that he has blessed me to be 88 years old the 23rd of November, 1959. I can't do very much, but I am thankful to be here, and I thank my friends for their kindness to me, and especially my white friends. Now I see something in the day and I have never seen before. It seems that there is a spirit of oneness existing among us, and it is a great thing, and I have got to try to assist with the self and to others. Now, may the Lord bless us to see a Merry Christmas and a Joyful New Year of 1960. May the Lord take care of you, and save us all. —As ever, your friend,
Henry Phelps.

BOWLING LEAGUE

Team	W	L
Fire Company	26	6
Garment Company	23	10
General Electric	23	10
Transco	17	16
Young Farmers	12	20
Carpinters	11	22
State Police	10	23
Jaycees	9	24

High game: B. Woody, J. Gowin, 128.
High set: B. Woody, 361.
High team: Fire Co., 1609.

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Merry Christmas
All our best wishes to you and your family. Have a Christmas as merry and bright as the ornaments on your glittering tree.

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CLARENCE GOBBLE, Prop
APPOMATTOX, VIRGINIA

At this time of year, we take a long look in two directions: backward with warm appreciation for your patronage, and forward with the happy anticipation of continuing to serve you.

A. G. GAINES,
JEWELER
APPOMATTOX, VA.

Here's to you, our good friends and patrons...our sincere appreciation for the privilege of serving you and best wishes for a happy holiday season.

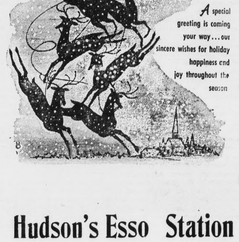
Jamerson Bowling Alley
RAY WILHOIT
APPOMATTOX, VIRGINIA

Our Yuletide best to all our friends ...for a season packed with all the wonderful things that Christmas means!

Ranson Electric Co.
A. C. RANSON J. H. RANSON
EVERGREEN, VIRGINIA

We extend to all our sincere wishes for a warm-hearted Yuletide. May your holidays be bright as the lights on the tree...rich in peace, contentment and the presence of friends and loved ones...and radiant with the glory that shines over all during this joyous season.

Mitchell's Cab Service
MR. & MRS. E. T. MITCHELL
APPOMATTOX, VIRGINIA


Merry Christmas to All
A special greeting is coming your way...our sincere wishes for holiday happiness and joy throughout the season

Hudson's Esso Station
Route 460 Appomattox, Va.

Greetings
To all our cherished friends we extend our sincere good wishes for a joyous Christmas ...abounding in the blessings of good health and happiness.

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